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BUDGET FOR THE DISABLED
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amount remained unspent from the budgetary outlay for the disabled persons in the Tenth Five Year Plan under Central schemes;

(b) the resaons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to utilize allocated resources for the disabled in the next Five Year Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT(SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) Against the total Tenth Plan Outlay of Rs. 1454 crores for the welfare of the persons with disability, an amount of Rs. 919 crore was spent. Thus, an amont of Rs. 535 crores remained unspent.

(b) The budgeted fund could not be utilized fully owing to non receipt of requisite proposals complete in all respects in time from the State Governments, Union Territory Administrations and Non- Governmental Organizations.

(c) For optimum utilization of budgeted fund, following corrective measures have been taken:

i National allocation based on the population of the target group in proportion to theÂtotal target population in the State is intimated to the States/UTs at the beginning of the financial year with a request to recommend complete proposals from State Governments and NGOs.

iiGrant-in-aid Committee at the State level has been set up for all the schemes where support is provided to NGDs so that complete proposals with recommendation of the State Governments are received in time.

iii. Position of receipt of proposals from State Governments and NGDs is reviewed at regular interval.

IV. Quarterly targets are fixed and the progress of expenditure is reviewed fortnightly by the Secretary with a view to phasing out uniform expenditure throughout the year.

v. The performance of the programmes is also reviewed with the State Secretaries of the State Government concerned.